



Newsletter 08/02/2024

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

We've reached the halfway point of the year and it's time for a well-deserved half-term. Our final week of a term is always a crazy one – our successes have included:

- The week started with our termly Headteacher's Tea Party, where children are nominated by staff to bring learning they are proud of!
- We held our termly Exhibition Afternoon, where families can come in to see the outcomes of their child's work. As always, you're invited to give feedback here: <https://forms.office.com/e/3yuEhQSAwq>
- Our Staff Meeting this week was with the Autism Education Trust who delivered training on Autism Awareness.
- We've had pupils visit the Dare To Believe sports festival, a Netball tournament and Water Polo leagues – with thanks to Miss Brushett and families for supporting these events.
- The Early Years Team arranged a Lunar New Year banquet for Reception pupils as they continue to learn about different festivals! Thank you to our families for their support of this experience!

- Our school held its annual Roper's Got Talent show, where pupils had the opportunity to showcase their hidden interests. A huge well done to all for showing such courage and skill, and thank you to Mrs Hibb and the School Council for their work!

Parent/Carer Forum – Friday 1st March, 9.15am

Last week, we shared details of our next Parent/Carer Forum, where the topic will be our Curriculum! Thank you to those who have already given their thoughts.

If you would like to attend in person, please sign-up here: <https://forms.office.com/e/y4XLGb7DaX>

If you would like to contribute your thoughts in person, please click here: <https://forms.office.com/e/st1GkkGtXw>

It's been a prosperous term where we've continued to work hard together to elevate our school to higher heights and we are looking forward to seeing what the next term brings.

Tomorrow (Friday 9th February) is the last day of term, and we are excited to welcome you back on Monday 19th February!

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Safeguarding

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We've had an excellent resource shared with the school, regarding online safety <https://www.essex.police.uk/police-forces/essex-police/areas/essex-police/au/about-us/sort-your-settings/>

A recent conversation at a kid's party alerted one of our families to the surprising differences in how different online games are monitored. This resource from the Essex Police was given and our families wanted to share it with the community! Thank you so much!

As a school we believe that safeguarding is not only about protecting children and young people from abuse and neglect but also their families too. It is our intention therefore to support families by signposting them to universal services which may assist families when they are facing difficulties themselves. For reference, our Safeguarding Team is: Mr Adam Nicholls, Mrs Sandra Goodwin, Miss Jo Leadley and Mrs Jemma Sholl.



Attendance

Bear Class - 89.2%

Mae Class - 94.6%

Knight Class - 93.1%

Armstrong Class - 92.5%

Rose Class - 98.7%

Tull Class - 96.3%

Rashford Class - 95.0%

Othello Class - 96.3%

Einstein Class - 97.0%

Zephaniah Class - 94.2%

Da Vinci Class - 96.2%

*Attendance matters - **The whole school attendance this week is 95.0%**. We aim for all children to achieve 96% attendance within the school year. For unexpected absences, due to illness for example, please contact the School Office so that we can record your child's absence correctly. All other absences*

must be requested using the Absence Request Form. A copy of our Attendance Policy can be found on the school website.

Key Dates

Term Dates

Term 3: Wednesday 3rd January – Friday 9th February

Term 4: Monday 19th February – Thursday 28th March

Term 5: Monday 15th April – Friday 24th May

Term 6: Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July

Inset Days

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Exhibition Afternoons

Wednesday 27th March 2024, from 2.30pm

Thursday 23rd May 2024, from 2.30pm

Tuesday 16th July 2024, from 2.30pm

Parents' Evenings

Monday 26th February 2024, 4pm-7pm

Thursday 29th February 2024, 4pm-7pm

Notices

SWIMMING

We are pleased to have secured swimming lessons for all classes in KS2! They will run in the following terms:

Term3 – Einstein

Term 4 – Othello

Term 5 – Rashford

Term 6 – Tull

Each class will receive more specific information, such as dates and kit lists, as their turn approaches.

PAYMENT FOR CLUBS

Payment for clubs is now available on Arbor. Can you please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

CINDERELLA

M&M Production visited the school on Monday 8th January for a performance of 'Cinderella'. If you haven't done so already, we would really appreciate a contribution of £4.50 towards this event. Without this it would be difficult for us to continue with providing the children such an enriching experience. You will find the payment in the trips section on Arbor.

MOSQUE VISIT - THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY

KS1 (Years 1 & 2) and UKS2 (Years 5 & 6) children visited a mosque in Crayford (Masjid Abu Bakr) on Thursday 1st February as part of their learning in Religious Education. If you haven't done so already, we would really appreciate a contribution of £4.50 towards transport to and from the mosque. This will be available to pay for in the trips section of Arbor.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Following the success of our amazing School Council's fund raising for the new playground markings. They have decided to run the following events:-

SILLY SOCK DAY - FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

We will be holding a silly sock day on Friday 9th February for a £1 donation. All money collected will go towards repairing the greenhouse that was damaged in the recent bad weather.

RED NOSE DAY- FRIDAY 15TH MARCH

On Friday 15th March children are invited to wear their own clothes in red & white. There will be a competition run by the School Council, details of which will follow shortly.

EYNSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Repair Café – 10th February 1-4pm, Eynsford Village Hall

All are welcome to bring items in need of repair to the village hall this Saturday. Help to reduce waste and extend the life of your stuff. Our volunteers can repair bikes, electrical and mechanical items, clothes and textiles, clocks and more.

Tea and cake will be available together with advice on reducing energy costs.

Fun Quiz Night – 7pm, 24th February, Eynsford Village Hall

Come along to a fun quiz night for all the family in the village hall. Organised by ACE (twinning group) there will be a mixture of questions around France and the UK including music, geography, sport and general knowledge.

A cheese buffet is included and will be available at half time. Bring your own drinks and snacks. Please reserve your tables of 6-8. Prices £7.50 for adults, under 18s Free (cash on the night). Book at eynsfordtwinning@yahoo.co.uk or 07743550098.

ACE is working with the school to enable more links between ARPS and schools in our twin village of Camphin en Pevele, France. Families can get involved directly by contacting the committee as above.

PTA NEWS

Tickets are now on sale for the Spring Disco at: www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofanthonyper/index.cfm?event=&event=75653 and will be available until 6pm on the 21st February.



THURSDAY 22ND FEB

£4 PER CHILD

RECEPTION & KS1 DISCO

END OF SCHOOL - 4:30PM

KS2 DISCO

4:45-5:45PM

**TICKETS INCLUDE ENTRY, FRUIT SHOOT
AND SNACK ITEM OF THEIR CHOICE.**

**WE WILL ALSO BE RUNNING A TUCK
SHOP AND A TEMPORARY TATTOO
STAND, SO FEEL FREE TO SEND YOUR
CHILD IN WITH SOME POCKET MONEY
TO SPEND (MAX £2 PER CHILD)**



IF YOU HAVE HEARD OF A PAIN AU CHOCOLAT, OR
PARIS ST GERMAIN AND YOU LIKE A BIT OF FRENCH
CHEESE, THIS QUIZ IS FOR YOU.

Saturday 24th February 2024, starting at 7pm
Eynsford Village Hall

£7.50 per person, under 18s FREE
Includes a cheese buffet
Bring your Own Drinks & Snacks!

Contact eynsfordtwinning@yahoo.co.uk
or 07743550098 to reserve a table of 6-8.

There will be a short AGM of ACE (Twinning Group) in the interval

REPAIR CAFE EYNSFORD



**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 1-4PM,
EYNSFORD VILLAGE HALL, EYNSFORD**

**OUR VOLUNTEERS CAN REPAIR OR ADVISE ON:
CLOTHES & TEXTILES, COMPUTERS & DEVICES,
BIKES, CLOCKS, MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL**

**BRING ALONG YOUR ITEMS FOR OUR
VOLUNTEERS TO FIX!**

ENJOY A CUP OF TEA AND A SLICE OF CAKE.

**THERE WILL ALSO BE ADVICE AVAILABLE ON
ENERGY SAVING AND REDUCING YOUR
CARBON FOOTPRINT**

**REDUCE WASTE & LEARN NEW SKILLS -
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER JUST
GET IN TOUCH**

For more information contact us on
info@eynsfordparishcouncil.org.uk or call
01322 865320



Awards

Numbots Champions

Bear Class - Iris, Thomas, Romir

Mae Class - Elliott, Poppy, Chloe

Knight Class - Theodore, Hudson, Jacob

Armstrong Class - Anna, Faith-Evelyn, Fenton

Rose Class - Edison, Ayla, Rory

Tull Class - Sophia, Harry, Olivia

Rashford Class - Rudy, Iylah-Louise, Ralphy

Othello Class - Robert, Riaan, Emily

Einstein Class - Sienna, Albie, Tabitha

Zephaniah Class - Kaius, Max, Emily D

Da Vinci Class - Ilona, Rana, Stanley

Times Tables Rock Stars Champions

Bear Class -

Mae Class -

Knight Class -

Armstrong Class - Oliver L, Faith-Evelyn, Thomas

Rose Class - William D, Edison, Jake

Tull Class - Owen, Jessica B, Harry

Rashford Class - Arissa, Harrison, Sienna

Othello Class - Poppy, Lucienne, Marguerite

Einstein Class - Levi, Tabitha, Arthur

Zephaniah Class - Kaius, Emily D, Lincoln

Da Vinci Class - Mia, Thomas, Bronte

Achievement Awards

Bear Class - Theo

Mae Class - Isla-Savannah

Knight Class - Juno

Armstrong Class - Faith-Evelyn

Rose Class - Evelyn

Tull Class - Patience

Rashford Class - Rosie

Othello Class - Riaan

Einstein Class - Hugo

Zephaniah Class - Betsy

Da Vinci Class - Amira

House Points

Knole - 287

Chartwell - 148

Penshurst - 156

Ightham - 263





